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SUBJECT:PRE-UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY CONSULTATIONS

1. THE DEPARTMENT PROPOSES THAT AMBASSADOR
JAMES F. LEONARD, DEPUTY PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE,
USUN, TRAVEL TO LEBANON, JORDAN, SYRIA AND IRAN
IN EARLY JULY TO HOLD BILATERAL DISCUSSIONS WITH
KEY OFFICIALS IN EACH COUNTRY ON MULTILATERAL
ISSUES EXPECTED TO ARISE IN CONNECTION WITH THE
33RD UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

2. AMBASSADOR LEONARD HOPES TO COVER THE
FOLLOWING ISSUES (AND OTHERS AS POST ADVISES):

-- UN RESTRUCTURING
-- UN FINANCIAL PROBLEMS
-- UN REFORM

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-- HUMAN RIGHTS
-- NORTH/SOUTH ECONOMIC ISSUES
-- PUERTO RICO
-- MIDDLE EAST ISSUES
-- SOUTHERN AFRICA ISSUES (RHODESIA, SW AFRICA,
APARTHEID)

- GUAM
- KOREA
- CYPRUS
- INTERNATIONAL MASS MEDIA
- INDIAN OCEAN ZONE OF PEACE
- UN CONFERENCE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
- UNIFIL

3. THE ITINERARY WHICH THE DEPARTMENT IS DEVELOPING FOR LEONARD'S TRIP WOULD PUT HIM IN BEIRUT JULY 3-6 (DEPARTING FOR AMMAN ON THE 6TH). BECAUSE OF THE RELATIVELY SHORT NOTICE FOR THE TRIP, AND OTHER PROBLEMS INVOLVING EMBASSY BEIRUT (E.G., SECURITY), DEPARTMENT WISHES TO HAVE EMBASSY'S REACTION TO THESE DATES PRIOR TO PROPOSING THE ENTIRE ITINERARY TO THE OTHER POSTS INVOLVED. IF TIME AND OTHER CONSIDERATIONS DICTATE, THE DATES COULD BE SLIPPED ONE WEEK (TO JULY 10-13); HOWEVER, ANY LATER THAN THIS WOULD RUN INTO SCHEDULING PROBLEMS WITH USUN. AS LEONARD WISHES TO DISCUSS UNIFIL AND THE SOUTHERN LEBANON SITUATION IN ADDITION TO UNGA AGENDA ITEMS, THE AMOUNT OF TIME INDICATED IS CONSIDERED THE MINIMUM PRACTICAL STAY IN COUNTRY.

4. REQUEST EMBASSY COMMENTS ON ABOVE SOONEST SO THAT DEPARTMENT MAY PROCEED WITH PLANNING.
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